





PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Attn: Mail Stop AF

Norio MAEDA et al. : Patent Art Unit: 3749

Serial No. 09/936,618 : Examiner: Jiping Lu

Filed: March 5, 2002 : AFTER FINAL

: AMENDMENT

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DRYING SUBSTRATE

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS		SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY
REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDIT. RATE FEE	ADDIT. RATE FEE
TOTAL 24	- 28 =	0	x = 25 = \$	x 50 = \$
INDEP 5 -6 = 0 [] 1ST PRESENTATION OF MULT. DEP. CLAIM			<u>x 100 = \$</u> + 180 = \$ TOTAL \$	x 200 = \$ + 360 = \$ TOTAL \$

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the May 17, 2006 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u>, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-3, 5-12, 14-19, 21-24 and 26-28 are pending, with claims 1, 10, 21, 23 and 28 being the independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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